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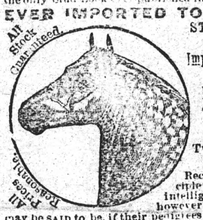

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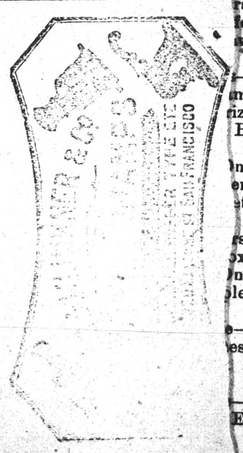

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SONOMA, JULY 10, 1886.

UNDYING LOVE.

The Gifts of a Great Doctor to His Dead Wife.

The little world of fashionable London society was startled a few years ago by reports of a series of daring jewelry robberies. The most costly gems seemed to disappear as if by magic under the very eyes of their owners. These robberies defied detection. A clue in one case was upset by the facts in another. When my aid as private detective was called in, I resolved to confine my attention to three distinct cases, though, of course, if useful information came in my way concerning other matters, I should know how to take advantage of it.

The first of the three on my list was the case of the Dowager Lady A., a somewhat eccentric old lady, who found her chief delight in arraying herself in her most valuable jewels and visiting in regular rotation all the West-end theaters. One night, when returning from one of these expeditions, her carriage had been overturned by colliding with an omnibus. The dowager was seriously injured, and within a few days she was dead. Then, apparently for the first time, it was discovered that the whole of the jewels worn by Lady A. on the night of the carriage accident had mysteriously disappeared. Her maid was so overcome by the sight of her injured mistress, that she failed altogether to remember what was done with these jewels at the moment when her ladyship was undressed. It was even a question whether they might not have been actually lost in the street during the confusion of the accident. At all events, no trace of them could be found, and it soon became evident that in the excitement of summoning relatives, fetching doctors, and, very soon, nurses and undertakers, half-a-dozen persons might [illegible] house; and walked off [illegible] and unmarried; that he [illegible] ided in that section (Mark [illegible] for 30 years; that he had no [illegible] tions in this country, and had [illegible] heard from his relatives in his [illegible] tive land, mother, sisters and b[illegible] ers, for 13 years. Also that [illegible] seemed to be failing in mind [illegible] some time past, and had made [illegible] peated threats against his own [illegible] and tried to borrow a pistol. [illegible] property of the deceased is estim[illegible] to be worth between $8,000 and [illegible] 000. Coroner King took charge [illegible] the remains.

The Fourth at Glen Ellen.

The citizens' celebration at [illegible] Ellen, last Monday, was a dec[illegible] success, everybody in the u[illegible] part of the valley being present [illegible] participating in the festivi[illegible] The oration by Samuel K. Dot[illegible] erty of Petaluma, was listened [illegible] with marked attention and rour[illegible] applauded. H. Lee Luttrell r[illegible] the Declaration of Independenc[illegible] an easy and graceful manner [illegible] Miss Helen Lippit, as poetess of [illegible] day, acquitted herself admira[illegible] Our Glen Ellen neighbors are [illegible] enterprising class and what they [illegible] out to do they always accompli[illegible] and their observance of our na[illegible] day was no exception to the r[illegible] The day's festivities wound up w[illegible] a grand ball at the Mervyn Ho[illegible] which was well attended, mine h[illegible] J. T. Peters, doing all in his po[illegible] to cater to the wants of these p[illegible] ent.

A Wise Reform.

The habit of administering quinine in powd[illegible] doses, as an antidote to malarial maladies, was [illegible] dangerously common. Happily this practice has [illegible] dergone a wide reform. Not only the public [illegible] professional men have adopted, not wholly, of co[illegible] but largely, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a saf[illegible] tanic substitute for the pernicious alkaloid. The[illegible] fever and ague sufferers are cured—formerly t[illegible] complaints were only for the time relieved, or [illegible] cured- the remedy eventually failing to produce [illegible] appreciable effect, except the doses were increa[illegible] A course of the Bitters, persistently followed, b[illegible] up the worst attacks and prevents their return [illegible] evidence in favor of this sterling specific and h[illegible] hol medicine is of no ambiguous character, but of [illegible] itive and satisfactory, and the source whence it [illegible] ceeds are very numerous.

Miraculous Escape.

W. W. Reed, druggist, of W[illegible] chester, Ind., writes: "One of [illegible] customers, Mrs. Louisa Pike, B[illegible] tonia, Randolph Co., Ind., was [illegible] long sufferer with Consumption, [illegible] was given up to die by her ph[illegible] cians. She heard of Dr. Kin[illegible] New Discovery for Consumpti[illegible] and began buying it of me. In [illegible] months' time she walked to [illegible] city, a distance of six miles, and [illegible] now so much improved she has [illegible] using it. She feels she owes [illegible] life to it. Free trial bottles at [illegible] Drug Stores.

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on the chance of finding hall doors left open and property somewhat loosely guarded?

I had not thought of such a thing seriously before: but it seemed now to be an idea worth following up. Once more I resumed inquiries. Who was the doctor summoned in the case of the Dowager Lady A.? I easily ascertained. It was one of the best known men, at that time, in London. He and his brougham would be familiar to every thief who frequented West End thoroughfares. I next inquired at Colonel C.'s. To my satisfaction, I learnt that the same doctor had attended in this case. "Here," I said to myself, "I begin to see daylight." Shortly afterward I made a further discovery. The coachman who drove the famous physician to Lady A.'s on the night of the accident, and to Colonel C.'s on the night of the ball, had only been in his employ a few weeks; and on the date of the Earl of E.'s wedding, the man had driven the carriage of one of the guests at the breakfast.

The clew, I felt, was becoming strong. The thief, I grew convinced, was a confederate of the grave-faced man in spotless black who drove the fashionable doctor from one house of sickness to another. I resolved to obtain an interview with the doctor, and, after explaining my suspicions, plan some mode of detecting so consummate a rascal. Circumstances occurred to make me resolve to carry out my purpose without delay.

My journey took me to one of the somewhat somber-looking streets that run down to the Thames, from the Chelsea side, between Chelsea bridge and Battersea Bridge. The name 'Gideon West, M. D., Physician and Surgeon,' inscribed on a brass plate told me when I had reached my destination. Dr. West, I was informed, was still out, late though it was; and the time of his coming home was most uncertain. I was determined, however, not to return without seeing him; and, after assuring the tired-looking servant that I should certainly await Dr. West's return, even if I had to spend the night on the doorstep, I was shown into the consulting-room, where a wood-fire was still burning on the hearth. Seating myself in an arm-chair with a high screen behind me, I settled down to my vigil, however long it might be.

I had often noticed the house; for who did not feel some interest in so famous a medical man as Gideon West? Why he had chosen such a house I did not learn until afterward; but I knew it was an old-fashioned, rambling sort of place, with a room built on here at one time and there at another time. Windows had been blocked up at one place, and windows had been let in at another. In fact, it was a house that seemed to defy a stranger to explain upon what rule, or what want of rule, it had been so constructed.

Those who first heard of Gideon West as one of the most famous physicians in [illegible] fashionable how he could live in such a ramshackle-looking building. Perhaps they forgot that even famous doctors were not born famous. Gideon West, when he entered on his professional career, was anything but famous, and he was as poor as he well could be. Father and mother were dead, brothers and sisters he had none. An almost forgotten god-mother had, to his surprise, left him the old house at Chelsea. This was about the time he received his diploma. Thereupon, Gideon West married, for love, a girl without a penny, settled himself in his new possession, had the brass-plate affixed to the door, and awaited the patients who were to prove his skill and make his fortune. It was a weary waiting; but the young bride had unlimited trust in her husband, and Gideon West never for an instant lost faith in himself. Slowly, very slowly, a small practice grew upon his hands; but the struggle that only braced Gideon West for the battle of life proved too terrible for the frail young wife. But there was no complaining, no repining, no word to tell of doubt, much less of despair, and Gideon West battled on. He knew as though it had already come, that he should at last prevail. He had measured his own strength, and felt that he could trust it. But—and it was that but alone which troubled him—suppose he should have to wait years and years—suppose, as those years went by, he should see the color pale on the face he loved; the brightness fade from the eyes he delighted to gaze into—suppose his long years of waiting were marked in the lines on his wife's young face—suppose when the golden gates of fortune flew open, he should find it was—too late!

How long I sat dreaming in Dr. West's room, I know not; but it is certain I must have fallen asleep before the crackling embers. When I awoke, I found myself in all but darkness. The gas had been lowered, and only a flickering glow from the dying fire remained to cast drear and fantastic shadows on the ceiling. Many hours must have passed. I must have been forgotten when the servants retired for the night, and Dr. West either had not returned, or had not been made aware of my presence. My position was embarrassing. To wake up in the middle of the night and to find myself in a strange house, was a new experience. I groped about the room and felt for the door by which I had entered. It was locked. Bell of any sort I could find none. I tried to raise my voice, but the death-stillness and darkness of the room seemed to stifle me. I found the window, and looked out. It opened high above a court-yard closed in by walls. Again I tried the door. Then I remembered that it was a sort of passage-room; that there was a door leading from it to an appartment beyond. I managed to find this door covered as it was with heavy tapestry hangings. Feeling very much like a thief, I tried the handle. It turned in my hand, and the door yielded noiselessly. Beyond, I saw a large square chamber, evidently a bed-room; but the bed was unoccupied. It was a quaint and haunted-looking room, with high oaken skirting and paneled ceiling. A couple of candles burned on the dressing-table, and threw a faint light over the dark furniture and the tapestries that hung against the walls.

Once more I tried to call out; but my tongue seemed dried up, and my voice refused to be heard. Presently, to my relief I heard a human voice [illegible] distantly came from an apartment beyond the one into which I had ventured. Impelled, I hardly knew how, I resolved to venture farther; and as my footsteps fell noiselessly on the thick carpets, I could hardly believe that I was not wandering in a dream through the mysterious chambers of the dead.

Yet more and more distinctly I heard the sad low voice that had caught my ear; and I approached stealthily, and confess with something like awe, the door, which, as I perceived, opened from the bedroom to the chamber whence the voice proceeded. Here, as before, a curtain of antique tapestry, reaching from the ceiling to the floor, concealed the aperture; and trying cautiously the door, I found that it opened toward me. This gave me time to reflect before intruding, with stealthy steps, in the dead of night, into the privacy of this innermost chamber. Like a guilty creature I stood and listened. The voice—for there seemed to be but one—was closest hand. It was a strangely melancholy voice, yet possessing a fascinating power that chained me to the spot.

"Will you never, never speak to me again, my darling, my darling." I heard the words too plainly to mistake or forget them. "Will you never speak to me again! Year after year, as the day comes round, I have prayed to God to grant me but one sweet word—one word to tell me of your love! Oh, my darling, my darling, have I prayed in vain? Will those lips never again open with a smile, those eyes never again look into mine, even when I come to you on my knees, as I do this Christmas morning!"

These strange words reproached me. Into what sacred precincts had I intruded? What heart-breaking grief was I desecrating?

Suddenly the tone of voice changed. The sad pathos gave way to accents of joy. "See! see, my beloved one; here are gifts worthy of a queen. Did I not tell you that the time would come when all our struggles would be over; when there would be no more fighting for very bread; no more daily care; no more dread of the future; no fears for success, because it would be already mine! Ah, Gertrude, my wife, my darling, you were good and patient to me in those days. If the clouds were dark, your eyes were always bright; if the heavens were overcast, your smile drove away the storm; your voice was the music of my life, your ceaseless trust was my lodestar. But all has changed. Those days have passed. I am rich now; they say I am famous. The day is now too short for my work, and the night too short for rest. And yet I need rest. I feel I cannot live much longer if I may not rest. My brain is ever reeling with its weariness, yet I cannot sleep. Night after night is one long vigil. No sleep, no rest, no peace! I have been waiting for this night, for you, my love, for you! And now the hour has come. It is Christmas morning. Hark! already I hear the sound of the Christmas bells. Ah! no wonder for my wife, my beloved, has come back [illegible] at last, come back to my [illegible] the dead!"

In feverish excitement, I listened. But there was no answer—not a sound when that trembling voice ceased to break the stillness of the night.

Presently it began again. "They tell me it is thirty years ago. Nonsense! That is only a dream. It was yesterday—yesterday, that you spoke to me for the last time—yesterday, that you bade me good-bye, and kissed me when I went away. And to-day you are as you were then. No change, no change none at all. You are as young and as fair as when I first took your hand in mine and called you wife."

Then there was a pause, and I was conscious of some movement beyond the tapestry behind which I was guiltily hiding.

What followed startled me, but it called me back to life. With a voice thrilling with emotion, the man once more broke the silence. "Gertrude! These are yours. This is your birthday, and our old wedding-day, and I have not forgotten you. You do not yet believe that I am rich and famous, and that your husband has many friends. See! These are gifts from those whom I have rescued from death! They are thank-offerings to the 'doctor's wife.' Here is a bracelet. It is set with emeralds. No rarer could be found. Ah! how charming it looks on that dainty wrist! And here is something a princess might wear. It is a tiara of diamonds, and it is yours. Ah, my wife, let me place it on your brow! Oh, my queen, my queen!"

Unable to restrain myself longer, cautiously drew aside the tapestry and peered into the chamber beyond it. It was comparatively small, but richly furnished, though in the fashion of other times. It was, I thought, a lady's boudoir; but from where I was concealed, only a portion of the room was revealed to my view. It was not that room that arrested my attention, but what it contained. On a small table, almost within reach, lay those very ornaments—the ear-rings, the necklet, the pendant—of rubies and pearls, the loss of which had first led me to unravel, if I could, the mystery of the great jewel robbery. I could not be mistaken. The description given me had been most minute. An exact counterpart of the set was not in existence; and here it lay on the table before me.

As I looked on with astonishment, from the part of the room I could not see there approached me, slowly and with pensive step and bowed head, like one walking in his sleep, the man whom I now almost dreaded to see—the famous doctor, Gideon West.

Could he be the author of those mysterious thefts? I could not believe it, and yet the proofs of his guilt lay before me. No longer hesitating, I stepped forward. So sudden and so unexpected was my appearance that the man was unconscious of my presence until I had placed my hands upon his arm and gasped in trembling tones: "Dr. West—I—arrest——" But the sentence was never completed.

With a cry that might have been heard almost in the grave, the unhappy man shrank from me. At that instant I turned in the direction to which he was pointing, with that agonized look upon his face; and as I did so, I loosened my hold and my hands fell powerless to my side. In the corner of the chamber, hitherto hidden from me, I saw one of those old-fashioned bedsteads, with heavy draperies around it. The curtains were of silk, once a pearly white, now dulled and faded by age. The counterpane and pillow, once like driven snow, were white no more. Lying on the bed, with her head on the pillow and her body partially concealed by the bed linen, I saw the form of a woman—a woman who must once have been fair and beautiful to behold. Her luxuriant hair fell in wreaths on each side of her face, and was then brought together over the bare white throat. Her arms were uncovered by the counterpane, and, clasping an infant child in their embrace, lay folded across her breast.

As I realized all the details of what seemed like a vision, I confess that my nerves failed me. I could only look at that cold, pale face, lying so still on the pillow, with the child-face nestling beside it; and as I looked, I realized that the stillness was the stillness of death.

Like one entranced, I remained motionless for some moments, when again I was aroused to action.

A figure clothed in white—the face scarcely less pale than the face of the dead, the scanty locks of hair, white with age, hanging loosely about her shoulders, the eyes fixed on the bed, and the hands stretched out supplicatingly toward it—glided into the room. Then catching sight of the prostrate figure of the man who had cast himself beside the bed, with his hands spread out on the form that lay there, this apparition of woe, turning on me a glance of reproach that will haunt me to my dying day, exclaimed, amid streaming tears: "You have killed him! My son, my son!"

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And now, how shall I finish my story without wearying you with explanations? Let me go back to that old question once asked by Gideon West: "What if success should come too late?" For all the happiness it could bring him it did come too late. His struggle with fate, if not a long, had been a bitter one. There fell a grievous sickness on the neighborhood; disease and death stalked abroad, and mowed down their victims without counting the numbers. Against the grim tyrants Gideon West fought day and night; his energy was endless, his courage undaunted; and he triumphed. No; not Gideon West; but the weapons of science triumphed in his hands. Disease and death were driven from the field; as they fled, they shot one last bolt at their victor—it glanced off his armor, but left his wife and child dead at his side.

Yes, he had won. But what was the victory worth? Fame, reward, wealth, all were his; but the one hope of his life was dead. Yet he never spared himself—never ceased work for a day—never hesitated at any sacrifice. He lived, he said, for only one object—it was to "wear out his life." The old home knew him to the end, and one faithful and devoted woman gave all her years to cheer the one hero of her life, the poor struggling surgeon, the great physician—the man who, for pure love, had married her only child: Gertrude's husband!

But the end came suddenly at last, and outwardly there seemed to be no signs of failing power. The mind seemed as fresh and as vigorous as ever. Only in one direction did it give way. Years of never-ceasing brooding over his dead wife and child did its work; and as the sad anniversary of his wife's birthday, her marriage, and of her death, once more approached, the strain overpowered him. A mania seized him; he must offer her the most costly treasures. Yet they must not appear to come from him, but from others, from those who owed their health, their life, to his skill. They must be proofs of his fame—proof to the dead wife of her husband's triumph. The mania grew upon him. Wherever he saw anything that was of peculiar value, he seemed to claim it as his own, fully persuaded, as I believe, that it was a willing offering to the memory of his dead wife. And so those once inexplicable disappearances were explained. No one suspected, would dream of suspecting, the great doctor; and sane in everything else, yet with his brilliant intellect already ripe for decay, the unhappy man for weeks past had been the victim of a mania he neither comprehended nor was able to resist. I learned afterward that a medical conference had taken him to the house where the Countess' diamonds were lost on that particular morning, and he must by accident have entered the room where the diamonds were momentarily left unguarded, and at once he had been led, by an irresistible impulse, to possess them.

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Before I left that strangely haunted house at Chelsea on that Christmas morning, the twice-stricken mother led me to the dead beds de and placed my hands on the cold face. I looked at the mother, and then I felt the white hands that lay clasped before me. The woman read my thoughts.

"No," she whispered; "it is not the flesh of mortal! It is but a fearful counterfeit of death. It was modeled from the dead wife and child, and was to have been reproduced in marble for Gertrude's tomb. But Gideon West would not have it removed. Call it a morbid fancy or a passionate love, which you will; but for years he has spent the hours of his solitude beside this poor image of his wife! Now, tell me, was yonder dead man a thief, or was he the victim to unconquerable mania?"

For Gideon West was dead, and his secret died with him.

We laid him on his own bed; and when the coroner's jury said next day that he died "by the visitation of God," they spoke the truth.

The lost jewels were restored to their owners with the simple explanation that he who had taken them was beyond the reach of human justice.

For my part in the restitution, I was generously rewarded; but it was the last investigation I ever undertook. Many years have passed, and the world soon forgets; but I thought it would interest some to learn what I knew concerning the Great Jewel Robbery.—*Chambers' Magazine.*

Substitute for the Wooden Pail.

Various processes have been brought forward for producing a satisfactory substitute for the ordinary wooden pail, and the most successful effort in this direction appears to have been accomplished with paper pulp.—Chicago Herald.

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R. H. GRAHAM . . . . . EDITOR

SONOMA, JULY 10, 1886.

Communications upon matters of local or general interest solicited.
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CITY ORDINANCES.

The Board of City Trustees, at their last meeting, passed three important ordinances, which are today published elsewhere in this paper by authority, all of which should be carefully read and borne in mind by tax-payers and visitors of the place. Ordinance 25 relates entirely to revenue, and therefore is of interest mainly to tax-payers. Ordinance 26 relates to the hygiene of the city and prohibits the establishment or maintenance of slaughter-houses, or places where slaughtering is carried on as a business, within the corporate limits of the city, and is therefore important to all residents and visitors; and, we think, while the Board were considering this subject, they should have gone further and provided a system of drainage adequate to relieve the residents of town of a most grievous nuisance that may, at an early day, prove extremely detrimental to the health of the town, causing diseases to break out among the population that may cause the death of some and render others miserable from chronic complaints throughout the remainder of their lives. We refer to the creeks and gulches that serve as drains during excessively wet seasons, and more particularly to the ditch running through the flat on the west side of the plaza. Each and all of such drains, or water-ways, should be graded and boxed or piped, to facilitate the running off of the filth that now accumulates along their channels, producing an unhealthy and nauseating stench and endangering the life and health of all whose olfactories are saluted by the foul odors arising therefrom. Ordinance 28 is also important and should be strictly enforced, relating as it does to the correction of an evil that has grown too prevalent in many communities for good morals. It prohibits the selling or giving to minors under sixteen years of age as a beverage any intoxicating drinks, and provides a severe penalty for infractions of the law, which we deem good, so far as it goes, but might very properly have been extended to minors of eighteen years; for, of all the evil habits that prevail among nations and peoples of this age we look upon habitual intoxication as the worst and least excusable, and this ordinance, if strictly enforced by parents, guardians and officers of the law, will preserve the rising generation free from drunkenness until they arrive at an age of discretion and good habits have been formed, if not established in their minds as governing principles.

HON. ROBT. HOWE of Eden Dale, is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for member of the State Board of Equalization. Mr. Howe's name has frequently been mentioned of late in connection with the office of State Senator from this district, but as he has already served the people faithfully in both branches of the Legislature—having been sent to our Legislative halls no less than five times from different sections of the State in the past thirty years—he does not seek nor will he accept further legislative honors. Mr. Howe is a genial, whole-souled gentleman and in every sense qualified to serve as a member of the State Board of Equalization. He numbers in Sonoma county a host of friends of every shade of political opinion and is about as strong a man as the Democrats could put up for the office.

Our Quarries.

We observe large quantities of basalt blocks lying alongside the railroad track ready for shipment to San Francisco and other places, where needed for paving streets and making firm and everlasting roads, showing that the extensive ledges of stone in the hills adjacent to Sonoma are being utilized, and we are surprised that tramways connecting the quarries with the railroad, over which cars may be drawn by horse or steam power, have not been built to stimulate this important industry. We think the investment would pay.

THE GRAPE CROP.

[San Francisco Post.]

It is rather early, as yet, to congratulate ourselves upon this year's vintage, but if no unexpected disaster occurs we may look for much better results than last year. No destructive northers have yet come, and although the phylloxera is still spreading, it is apparently not able to prevent a larger and better yield than ever before. Our production of wine has been very eccentric, having declined from 12,000,000 gallons in 1881 to 8,000,000 in 1883, jumped up to 14,000,000 in 1884, and dropped off to 7,500,000 in 1885. During this period the United States has consumed wine at the rate of about 20,000,000 a year, of which about 3,000,000 have been imported and the rest produced at home. Outside of California the manufacture of American wines has averaged about 7,000,000 gallons a year, 3,000,000 of that amount being entirely innocent of any connection with grape juice.

It is plain that even now this is the winery of the continent; but we are only beginning. Mr. Wetmore estimates that with the increased acreage now planted, this year's vintage will amount to about 20,000,000 gallons, next year's to 25,000,000, that of 1888 to 33,000,000, and that of 1890 to 50,000,000 or 60,000,000. We shall then be ready to export, unless the rest of the country has developed such a taste for light beverages as we already have. California, with a little over a million inhabitants, drinks 6,000,000 of the 20,000,000 gallons of wines annually consumed in the United States. If we can educate the East up to this point, there will be no limit to our market.

The use of California wines will be promoted if Congress can find time to pass the two bills now before the Ways and Means Committee—one exempting from taxation brandy used in fortifying sweet wines; the other designed to prevent adulteration. If we can make anything stand on its own merits, so that our best wine will not be passed off as French, and the worst chemical concoctions of New York sold as the product of California, our reputation will become what it should be. One of our largest wine-makers advocates a law taxing all American wine bearing foreign labels at the full tariff rate, while leaving those honestly labeled untaxed. Meanwhile, our vinters are going ahead with the determination to make a name for their brands. In the depression in the wheat market, the State looks to them to help keep up its old prosperity. In raisins, as well as in wine, the vineyards this year are expected to do themselves credit. Against 250,000 boxes last year it is thought we shall have 400,000 this year—the increase being largely due to Fresno. May the grasshopper and the portly green worm long delay their dreaded visit!

AN EDITORIAL VISITOR.

Robt. J. Steele, editor of the "San Joaquin Valley Argus," came down from Merced on Thursday last, and, as he likes Sonoma's climate, will spend some time with us. He reports crops of all kinds good this season in Merced county—the wheat crop especially—and the harvest progressing favorably and the quality of the grain excellent. He also reports the great irrigation enterprise of the Merced Canal and Irrigation Company, which is destined to change the great sand plains, now devoted to wheat culture, into vineyards, orchards and gardens, affording employment and homes for many thousands of happy, industrious, thrifty and contented people, advancing rapidly toward completion, the prospect being now favorable for the inauguration of a general system of irrigation upon the great sand and adobe plains surrounding Merced, next season.

Freak of Nature.

[Detroit Free Press.]

A case which is receiving much attention from the medical profession was reported yesterday to Coroner Messemer. In the death itself of Miss Caroline Terboss there was nothing remarkable. She died of nephritis, and the coroner would not have been called upon to take cognizance of the matter had a physician been present within twenty-four hours of the death. The peculiar circumstances of the case are wholly physical. Miss Terboss was 77 years of age, but soon after her eleventh birthday all development ceased, and to the hour of her death she remained in form, stature and organization a child. Cases of this kind have been recorded, though they are very few. None, however, have the age of Miss Terboss, death usually occurring before 21. Twenty-five years of age is the extreme limit. Miss Terboss was only four feet four inches in height. She was remarkably quick intellectually, and enjoyed good health. The case will be reported on in full in the medical journals.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Scheme for a Permanent Exposition in Washington.

The Champion Vetoer—The Fitz-John Porter Bill and the President.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, June 28, 1886.

The scheme for a permanent Exposition in Washington seems to be making good progress and taking shape. One of the interesting things which came up at the last weekly meeting held in its behalf was the statement that the project of celebrating the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America by Columbus had been discussed in Spain for the last two years, and that she proposed to send a duplicate of the original fleet which brought the adventurous mariners to these shores.

President Cleveland promised to give his influence to the enterprise by calling the attention of Congress to the matter in his next annual address. The plan is being forwarded by private contributions, and it is thought that Congress will appropriate the needed money as soon as it is proven that there is a public demand for it, since members in both Houses have spoken favorably of the scheme. The Governors of States and Territories have been made ex-officio members of the committee having charge of the proposed enterprise, and they will all be invited to a conference in this city about the time of the reassembling of Congress.

When the history of the present Administration is written, President Cleveland will be called the Champion Vetoer of the nineteenth century, or something similar. All week long Congress has been hearing from different ones of those hundreds of private pension bills which were passed with such reckless confusion several weeks ago.

And yet the President can veto a bill much easier than Congress can pass it. He has made a record of 76 vetoes since his inauguration, and indeed on one day of the past week he was so much occupied in examining pension bills that he denied himself to all callers and even postponed the regular Cabinet meeting. It would seem that he is not averse to the exercise of his veto power either, for he allows a little grim humor to crop out now and then in his veto messages. For instance, in returning Congress [illegible] disapproval of a bill to pension a man who claims that he was injured by being thrown forward on the horn of his saddle, he said; "The number of such instances is so large as to indicate that those saddles were very dangerous contrivances."

Up to Mr. Cleveland's time there had been 109 veto messages sent to Congress by the Presidents. Washington sent two, Monroe and Lincoln one each, Buchanan and Arthus four each, Tyler and Pierce nine each, Madison six, Jackson twelve, Polk three, Johnson seventeen, Grant twenty-nine, Hayes twelve. No bills were vetoed by either of the Adamses, or Jefferson or Van Buren, or Harrison or Fillmore or Garfield, and the only pension bill ever vetoed until now was done by Gen. Grant.

Besides this wholesale slaughter of pension schemes during the week, the President has indulged in several honeymoon dinners tendered by members of his Cabinet. He also went on a yachting trip down Chesapeake bay, thus leaving the United States, which offense the Constitution disallows an Executive during his official term. On his return he found that 141 more pension bills had been sent from the Capitol for his approval or veto. Besides these, sixty miscellaneous bills are on his desk awaiting his action, and if he has determined, as is stated, to carefully examine every item of every bill before signing it, his hands are full again for the present week.

No President has ever undertaken to do so much before, and I doubt if any President, in justice to himself, can undertake to do it now. Mr. Cleveland cannot mean literally that he will not sign a single bill without reading it. He is opposed, however, to hastening the day of the adjournment of Congress, and has repeatedly warned those members who call upon him that he cannot be hurried with the examination of measures, and that he must devote time to those bills which require it.

Much interest is felt in the President's disposal of the Fitz-John Porter bill, which is at last through both Houses of Congress again. Gen. Logan was as earnest in his fight against the measure on Thursday while making a three hours speech, as he was when he talked three days on the subject as many years ago. Gen. Porter's friends express great confidence that the President will sign the bill, and a good many of his opponents are so tired of a twenty-five years siege against him that they too hope that Mr. Cleveland will restore him to the army and place him on the retired list by his approval.

The Union Hotel is becoming quite a resort for city visitors to Sonoma. The fame of this hotel is becoming well known to travelers and pleasure seekers.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land viz:

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Miss Mary McAndrews of Santa Rosa, returned home on Tuesday last from a two weeks' visit with Mrs. Wm. Green.

Mrs. C. Aguillon and daughters returned last Monday from a four weeks' visit to the Aguillon Vineyard in Livermore Valley.

Miss S. Bledsoe will take charge of the Dunbar School, Glen Ellen, at the commencement of the term, vice Miss Melindy, resigned.

Col. Wm. Louis Schley, Grand Secretary I. O. M. Grand Lodge, Maryland, found Red Star Cough Cure a perfect and certain remedy. Price, twenty-five cents a bottle.

The celebrated Unison Mass in F by Theo. Von la Hache, will be sang by Karl Formes, assisted by his wife, at high mass in St. Francis' church to-morrow.

Constable Sparks went over to Santa Rosa yesterday (Friday) to convey a prisoner to the County Jail, convicted of misdemeanor and sentenced to fifteen days.

Miss Della Clayton, formerly teacher of the St. Luis School, which position she resigned a few weeks ago, has been appointed a teacher in the intermediate department of the Sonoma School.

G. P. Dey, who recently purchased the Dan Davisson place, commenced the erection thereon of a two-story dwelling last Tuesday. It will contain seven or eight rooms and be of modern finish. Geo. Batcheldor is the architect and will superintend its construction.

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Miss Cesarine Robin won the first prize at the Turners' ball for being the best lady waltzer, the second prize being carried off by Miss Mary McAndrews. Mr. Jesse Burris was awarded the first prize as being the best gentleman waltzer and Dr. J. B. McMahan carried off the second prize.

The manager of the Fort Wayne, Ind., "Gazette," Mr. B. M. Holman, says he has often read of the wonderful cures affected by St. Jacobs Oil. Recently he sprained his ankle, and invested in a cane and a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil. The latter proved the better investment, as it entirely cured his ankle.

Henry Raschen, E. J. Mullin, F. Ehrlich and H. C. Manuel of Bear Flag Lodge, No. 97, K. of P., paid a fraternal visit to Napa Lodge last Tuesday evening, the occasion being the installation of officers. They were agreeably entertained by their brethren and expressed themselves as having had an enjoyable time.

The Agua Caliente Springs Hotel, having been enlarged and refurnished is now one of the most elegant and attractive summer and winter resorts on the coast. Visitors will find the house supplied with every modern convenience, and no pains will be spared to make their stay pleasant and comfortable. Prices to correspond with the dull times. *

Dr. Lawrence and family were thrown out of their carriage last Monday, while on their way to attend the celebration at Pioneer Grove. It appears that when about one mile from town, the horse, while going at a lively gait, stumbled and fell, overturning the carriage with the above result. Strange to relate the occupants did not receive a scratch, and the vehicle was not damaged in the least.

Rev. Sam. P. Jones' sermons are published in book form by the Herbert & Cole Publishing Co. of St. Louis, Mo. The first and only collection of sermons ever produced on the globe that has been thus susceptible of striking pictorial illustrations. Sam Jones' wonderful richness of thought, abundance of anecdote, incident and allegory, and power of conviction, are here all shown forth in an attractive volume, at a low price, within reach of the masses. Agents wanted for this valuable book. We call attention to advertisement in another column.

City Trustees.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Sonoma met in regular session, on last Wednesday evening. All members present and President Haraszthy in the Chair.

The minutes of the last special meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Ordinance and Legislation having no report, they were granted further time.

A communication was received, signed by several citizens, requesting that the City Marshal shall receive the sum of $25 per month in addition to the fees now allowed by law.

On motion and vote it was placed on file, and a committee consisting of Trustees Lawrence and Manuel were appointed to examine into the matter and report back to the Board.

A petition of property owners on Napa street, requesting that the Board fix the width of the sidewalks at eight instead of ten feet, was granted, and the petition placed on file.

Ordinances Nos. 25, 26 and 28 were, on motion and vote, passed and ordered printed in the Sonoma INDEX-TRIBUNE.

On motion of Trustee McHarvey, Ordinance No. 29 was laid over.

The following bills were allowed and warrants drawn on the Treasury for the amounts: H. H. Granice, $15 70; L. Breitenbach, $4; J. H. Sackett, $48 25.

The City Clerk was ordered to procure the necessary blanks for his office.

The report of the Finance Committee, on the report of the Street Committee of the preceding Board, was presented as being correct; also a protest from R. A. Poppe against the same. The protest was placed on file, but no action was taken on the report of the Committee.

The Board then adjourned.

On the Rampage.

Martin McDonnel, a discharged employe on the Maxwell place, came into town last Wednesday, and imbibing too freely of the "rosy" became gloriously drunk. In his meanderings about town, by way of "divarsion," he attacked Chinatown and succeeded in demolishing several windows in that quarter. Two of the heathen resented Martin's familiarity and retaliated by pelting him with cobble stones. The Marshal happening along and being a witness to the "onpleasantness" gathered the trio in and entered a complaint against them—the Cainamen being charged with assault and McDonnel with drunkenness. The latter was put in the "cooler" to enable him to sober up, while the former, upon being arraigned before Judge Breitenbach, plead guilty to the charges registered against them and were fined $10 each, which they paid.

Will Visit California.

The South Haven (Mich.) "Messenger" contains the following: "Mrs. S. A. Tripp is in receipt of an invitation from Mrs. E. S. Hampton of Detroit, formerly President of the State Woman's Relief Corps, to accompany the party which will attend the National Encampment of the G. A. R. at San Francisco the last of this month. This party will be composed of Gov. Alger, Gen. John A. Logan and other military chieftains, and some less notable, who will have provided for them the most complete accommodations for the journey. Mrs. Tripp is now intending to accept the offer." Mrs. Tripp is the mother of Edw. Tripp, an attache of this office, and will visit Sonoma before returning to her home.

SANTA ROSA ITEMS.

[Daily Republican.]

Yola Armentia, a Swiss dairyman working about 3 miles west of town, was badly gored by a savage bull in the back part of the thigh, last Thursday. The attending surgeon says that had the wound extended half an inch further to the right, it would have proved fatal.

A Swiss woodchopper named Rudolph Blasi, was brought into the County Hospital, Friday, suffering from a fracture of the right hip, which he received about a week ago. Blasi was endeavoring to bring down a tree which had lodged in the forks of another tree, when it fell and not being able to escape, he was caught under the tree, receiving his injuries.

Patents Granted.

The following patents were granted to citizens of the Pacific States during the past week, and reported expressly for the INDEX-TRIBUNE: R. F. Bridewell, San Francisco, cable railway; J. T. Stoll, Sacramento, hopple; M. Newell, Fresno City, two wheeled vehicle; E. I. Nichols, San Francisco, quartz breaker and pulverizer; C. E. Quigley, Oakland, can tapping device; L. O. Granger, San Francisco, advertising puzzle; E. Halsey, San Jose, adding machine, and apparatus for multiplication and other arithmetical processes; W. H. Keep, Stockton, boiler tube cleaner; J. W. Lauer, Mountain View, liniment.

THE DAY WE CELEBRATE.

How it was Observed by the People of Sonoma.

The Turners' Picnic at Pioneer Grove One of the Most Successful Ever Given by Them.

Sonoma, not to be lacking in patriotic devotion, celebrated the one hundred and tenth anniversary of America's independence at Pioneer Grove, by a grand picnic and the usual literary exercises, on Monday last.

The celebration was held under the auspices of the Sonoma Turn Verein, who, without outside aid, assumed all the expenses of the occasion, and its members had the proud satisfaction of seeing one of the largest and most orderly gatherings of people ever assembled in Sonoma Valley. They came from every direction—in carriages, buggies, wagons, go carts, on horseback, on the train, on foot and in the big stage run by Corbaley & Harris, their numbers being variously estimated at between five and six hundred.

The Sonoma Brass Band, composed of thirteen pieces, furnished the music during the day and did much to enliven the picnic grounds with patriotic airs, which were executed in such an admirable manner as to make every Sonomaite feel proud of the band boys.

The exercises, which were unusually well carried out, were opened with a welcome march rendered by the Sonoma Brass Band. The President of the Day, Capt. P. N. Stofen, then stepped forward and in a few well-chosen and appropriate remarks introduced Dr. J. B. McMahan, who read the Declaration of Independence in a style that did credit to that gentleman.

The President then introduced the poetess of the day, Miss Rose Wilson. This young lady in a modest and unassuming manner recited the celebrated poem entitled, "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere." Miss Wilson is a talented young lady and the Committee exhibited their good taste in securing her services for the occasion.

After the applause had subsided, which followed Miss Wilson's excellent rendition of "Paul Revere's Ride," Mr. Fred Duhring, Jr., the orator of the day, mounted the rostrum and made his bow to the assembled throng, many of whom had come a long distance to hear this young and talented gentleman deliver his first Fourth of July oration. Mr. Duhring acquitted himself in an admirable manner in an address lasting twenty-five minutes, and when he stepped down from the rostrum he was congratulated on all sides for his masterly effort. We regret that space forbids us giving a synopsis of his address as it contained many new and original points.

Following the literary program came the athletic exercises by members of the Sonoma and San Francisco Turn Vereins and the contest for prizes, which were both entertaining and amusing. The turning by Chas. Hartman of the latter society being greatly admired and favorably commented on by those present. Wm. Wilson, Chester Smith and Geo. and Harry Martin of the Sonoma Turn Verein, also deserve especial mention in their feats of turning.

After witnessing the athletic exercises those so inclined engaged in dancing in the large building on the grounds, which had been fitted up for the occasion, while others amused themselves in different ways.

At five o'clock in the evening the people commenced to wend their way homeward and by seven Pioneer Grove, which had been full of life and animation through the whole livelong day, was quiet and deserted and naught could be heard save the twitter of some forlorn bird and the soughing of the branches of the trees overhead.

In the athletic contests the following award of prizes were made:

Turning on Horizontal Bar by Members of Sonoma Turn Verein—First Prize—Silver Medal, Wm. Wilson. Second Prize—Tea pot, Chester Smith.

Turning on Parallel Bar by Members of Sonoma Turn Verein—First Prize—Silver Medal, Geo. Martin. Second Prize—Bottle of whisky, Bont. Sackett.

One hundred yard race, free to all—First Prize—Pearl Handled Revolver, Alf. McLaughlin. Second Prize—Box of Cigars, L. Lavarone.

Boys Race, under 12 years—First Prize—Fine Buggy Whip, C. Wolfe. Second Prize—Harmonica, Gustave Pauli.

Old Mens' Race, over 40 years—First Prize—Mustache Cup and Saucer, J. W. Rudd. Second Prize—Bottle of Champagne, W. B. Read.

Ladies' Race—First Prize—One Pair of Kid Gloves, Mina Steiger. Second Prize—One Full Glass Set, Jennie Cline.

Girls' Race, under 12 years—First Prize—One Puff and Powder Box, Jennie Cline. Second Prize—One Box Fine Toilet Soap, Carry Appleton.

Little Girls Race—First Prize—One Frosted Cake, May Estes. Second Prize—One box Taffy on a Stick, Annie Baettge.

Standing Jump—First Prize—Order for Shoeing One Horse, E. M. Cutter. Second Prize—One Bottle Champagne, W. J. Variel.

Running Jump—First Prize—One Fancy Gallon Keg, J. Skinner. Second Prize—One Fine Gent's Necktie, R. S. Knight.

Hop, Skip and Jump—First Prize—One Bottle Aromatic Bitters, E. M. Cutter. Second Prize—Order for Leg of Lamb, L. Lavarone.

Throwing Stone—First Prize—One Standing Lamp, W. J. Variel. Second Prize—One box Cigars, C. Hartman.

Dumbell Lifting—First Prize—One Roll Gold Chain, C. Hartman. Second Prize—One Year's Subscription to the INDEX-TRIBUNE, Geo. Fouts.

Sack Racing—First Prize—Bridle and Bit, Alf. McLaughlin. Second Prize—Pocket Knife, C. Wolfe. Third Prize—One Match Box, Joe Golden.

Tug of War Between Six Married Men and Six Unmarried Men—Prize Six Bottles of Reisling Wine, tie.

Suicide at Mark West.

[Daily Democrat.]

News reached this city Saturday morning of the death of James Nattie, whose body was said to have been found near the Mark West creek bridge, on the Healdsburg road. Coroner King was telegraphed and came up on the 10 o'clock train, arriving at the scene of the suicide about 11.30 o'clock. From the testimony of the witnesses, S. Schribel, Jno. West, C. T. Mathison and Van Winkle, the following is given: Van Winkle found the deceased lying on the floor of his (Nattie's) dwelling, which is on or near Mark West creek, about a quarter of a mile from the bridge, at about 5.30 o'clock Saturday morning, and noticing blood on the body immediately gave the alarm. On examination a revolver was found lying on the floor near by, and which proved to be the weapon he used in taking his life. Dr. R. P. Smith, Jr., was summoned and found that the ball had entered the roof of the mouth, coming out about two inches above, and half an inch back of the right ear, the revolver probably being fired with the left hand. Dr. Smith testified that in his opinion death was instantaneous. The other witnesses testified that deceased was a native of Switzerland; 50 years of age and unmarried; that he had resided in that section (Mark West) for 30 years; that he had no relations in this country, and had not heard from his relatives in his native land, mother, sisters and brothers, for 13 years. Also that he seemed to be failing in mind for some time past, and had made repeated threats against his own life, and tried to borrow a pistol. The property of the deceased is estimated to be worth between $8,000 and $10,000. Coroner King took charge of the remains.

The Fourth at Glen Ellen.

The citizens' celebration at Glen Ellen, last Monday, was a decided success, everybody in the upper part of the valley being present and participating in the festivities. The oration by Samuel K. Dougherty of Petaluma, was listened to with marked attention and roundly applauded. H. Lee Luttrell read the Declaration of Independence in an easy and graceful manner and Miss Helen Lippit, as poetess of the day, acquitted herself admirably. Our Glen Ellen neighbors are an enterprising class and what they set out to do they always accomplish, and their observance of our natal day was no exception to the rule. The day's festivities wound up with a grand ball at the Mervyn House, which was well attended, mine host J. T. Peters, doing all in his power to cater to the wants of those present.

A Wise Reform.

The habit of administering quinine in powerful doses, as an antidote to malarial maladies, was once dangerously common. Happily this practice has undergone a wide reform. Not only the public, but professional men have adopted, not wholly, of course, but largely, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a safe botanic substitute for the pernicious alkaloid. The consequences of this change are most important. Now fever and ague sufferers are cured—formerly their complaints were only for the time relieved, or half cured—the remedy eventually failing to produce any appreciable effect, except the doses were increased. A course of the Bitters, persistently followed, breaks up the worst attacks and prevents their return. The evidence in favor of this sterling specific and household medicine is of no ambiguous character, but positive and satisfactory, and the source whence it proceeds are very numerous.

Miraculous Escape.

W. W. Reed, druggist, of Winchester, Ind., writes: "One of my customers, Mrs. Louisa Pike, Bartonia, Randolph Co., Ind., was a long sufferer with Consumption, and was given up to die by her physicians. She heard of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and began buying it of me. In six months' time she walked to this city, a distance of six miles, and is now so much improved she has quit using it. She feels she owes her life to it. Free trial bottles at all Drug Stores. 6

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Notwithstanding the persistent cry of "dull times" throughout the State, the spirit of improvement moves steadily on in and around Sonoma. Now houses are being erected both in the town and country, and vineyards and orchards enlarged and extended, causing the town and surroundings to present an inviting appearance to persons seeking business locations or pleasant homes, where horticultural, viticultural and other enterprises may be carried on with pleasure and profit.

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Coffee, very best Costa Rica roasted, 5½lbs	1 00
Sugar, Dry Granulated, 12½lbs	1 00
Sugar, coffee, 17lbs	1 00
Breakfast Delight or Germea, 4-lb packages	25
Hams, ₱ lb	14
Bacon, light medium, ₱ lb	11½
Bacon, light ₱ lb	13½
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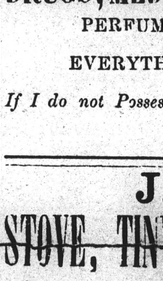

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SATURDAY, JULY 10, 1886.

Corporal Jack.

There were ten of us youngsters in the Company 'G' squad which Corporal Jack marched forth to drill, and the old man's face wore a fatherly smile as he kept calling:

'Hay foot—straw foot—right face—left face—front!'

If he had a home—a wife—children—we did not know. We wondered if he had left anybody behind who would mourn if his life went out on the field of battle; but he never talked on such things. He had a way of putting us off when we began to question of the past. We believed that some dark cloud rested over his life, and we agreed among ourselves that it was a mystery which must be held sacred. To the men he was stern and dignified; to us boys he was so kind and gentle that we grew to look upon him as a father. It was Corporal Jack who cured the blisters on our feet; who laughed our homesickness away; who took part of our loads away when the knapsacks galled our backs.

When he counted us after Bull Run and found that three of his ten boys had been left dead on the field, we missed him for a time. When he returned to us his eyes had the look of one who had been weeping. Later on, when Company 'G' swung into the slashed timber at Williamsburg, and men went down by twos and threes under the fire of sharpshooters, it was Corporal Jack who whispered to each one of us:

'Steady, my boy! I wouldn't have you give ground now for the world! More to the right a bit—that's it—keep covered if you can.'

I remember how the light of battle blazed in his eyes that day as he faced the enemy, and how that light was changed to one of unutterable sorrow as we answered our names at nightfall and only six 'ayes!' were heard. The seventh lay dead in the timber, with the whip-poor-will uttering its sad night-call in the branches above him.

As we came into battle line at Mechanicsville there was a look of pride in Corporal Jack's eyes. His boys had grown to be soldiers. Our faces were no paler than those of the sturdy, middle-aged men further along the line. As we knelt beside the log breastworks and opened fire I heard the Corporal saying to himself:

'Good! That's it! Just see how cool they are!'

We broke line after line of the gray as they advanced upon us, but by and by we were forced to yield. A bit of shiver ran along the lines—the first symptoms of a panic—but the old Corporal was close at hand to say:

'Steady, now! Fall back in good order! We are not beaten, but only falling back to a stronger position!'

The head of the company broke back—the center fell into confusion—our end of the line simply shivered and then became as firm as a rock. We knew not who had come out alive—who had been killed—until the old Corporal gathered us under his wings, as it were, long after darkness had shut down, and in a broken voice said:

'There are but four of my boys left, and I cannot sleep!'

After the fierce tempest of war had passed over the fields and forests of Savage Station there were only three of us. Corporal Jack bent down over the fourth, who lay dead in a pool of blood, cut off a lock of his hair, and said, as he reverently placed it in his pocket:

'This is for his mother, whose heart will be breaking over his loss! I pray God the rest of you may be spared!'

After Glendale there were but two of us. We toiled wearily over the highway with the stars shining above us and the sullen crackle of musketry in the rear. Corporal Jack marched with us, but for a long time he was silent. At last he said:

'Only two left! After to-morrow—what?'

At Malvern Hill he would have been our breastworks to have received the bullets. Darkness was falling, and we had broken and hurled back the lines of Magruder again and again, when a move by the left flank somehow separated the three of us. There was a fierce and determined advance—a fierce and desperate resistance, and night shut down and the roar of battle died away. I went out with those who succored the wounded and mourned over the dead, and I found them—Corporal Jack and my boy comrade. They were side by side and dead, but in his dying moments dear old Jack had thrown an arm over the poor boy, as if to shield and save him.

Truly, those were the days when men's hearts ached and women's eyes could not be dried.

The "Fat Contributor's" Mistake.

[M. Quad in Detroit Free Press.]

I never knew just how mean a man could be until the "Fat Contributor," who used to be a very, very funny man on the Cincinnati press, came along and asked me to go up North on a fishing excursion. I loved and reverenced that man for years before I saw him. On the way up to Petoskey I was willing to die for him. He was so modest—so bland—so open-hearted and gentle! I sat and looked at him and wondered if Heaven had an angel to compare with him, and when I thought that Abraham Lincoln had been elected President in place of the Fat Contributor, I wondered what the public could have been thinking of to permit such a wrong.

The next morning after reaching Petoskey I was up betimes to inquire about the best fishing spot. I soon discovered that the Fat Contributor had been an hour ahead of me. He had rented the only dock from which fish could be caught and fenced it in. He had engaged all the fish worms old Petoskey had on his land, and had bribed the only boy owning a minnow net not to catch bait for anyone else. I met him coming up to the hotel through the sand, and I called him a bully boy and explained under what obligations he had placed me.

'How?' he asked.

'Why, we'll have the fishing all to ourselves.'

'We!'

'Of course.'

'There's no 'we' about it. I have made my arrangements, and you can make yours.'

'And I'm not to fish with you?'

'Not that I know of!'

I had to submit. I sat on the bank and saw him pull in bass and pickerel by the dozen, and if I moved down on him he uttered the most awful threats you ever heard. On one occasion he drew his revolver and menaced me by firing over my head. The bland, gentle, angelic Fat Contributor had become a h-o-g. When I remembered how I had reverenced his name and praised his talents I kicked myself.

'You needn't look so ugly about it,' he said to me as he came up to the hotel with fourteen fine bass. 'When I go fishing I permit no one to interfere with me. You can go over to Elk Rapids or Traverse City and hire a dock for yourself, and you'd do it if you weren't so selfish. You seem to want all the fish in Lake Michigan. It's a wonder you didn't get up at midnight and hire the whole lake front!'

I looked around for a way to get even. There was an Indian up there named 'Man-who-fell-in,' and he had a dog about a foot high and seven feet long. The owner would tie this canine to a stake and let any person throw stones at him for a cent a throw, and every time you hit the dog you got a toy basket full of maple sugar. I went over to see the red man, and without stopping to inquire how he fell in or how he got out I hired him and the dog for three weeks, with the privilege of contracting for three years. We started in that evening, and it was the proudest moment of my life when the Fat Contributor wanted to pay for a hundred throws, and was blandly informed that it would cost him $1,000 a throw. I let everybody in Petoskey have a shy at the animal, and the press of St. Louis, Louisville and Chicago were presented season tickets. We took the dog down on the shore, and the Fat Contributor had to give up his fishing. He'd have given more for ten throws at that dodging dog than to catch a whale, but it was not for him.

'See here,' he said as he came to me one afternoon, 'what have I ever done to you that you should use me thus?'

'Nothing,' I answered, 'only, when I charter a dog I permit no one to interfere with me. You can go over to Chicago or Milwaukee and hire a dog for yourself, and you'd do it if you had any manhood about you.'

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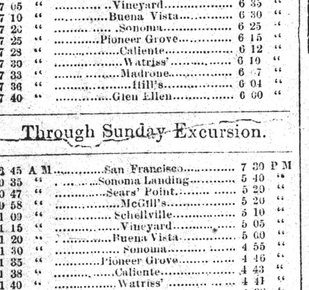

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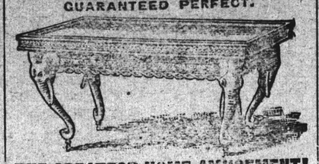

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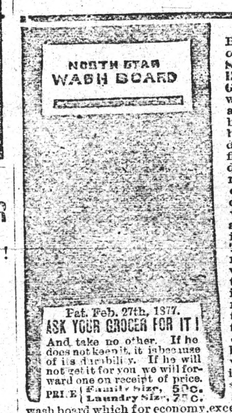

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